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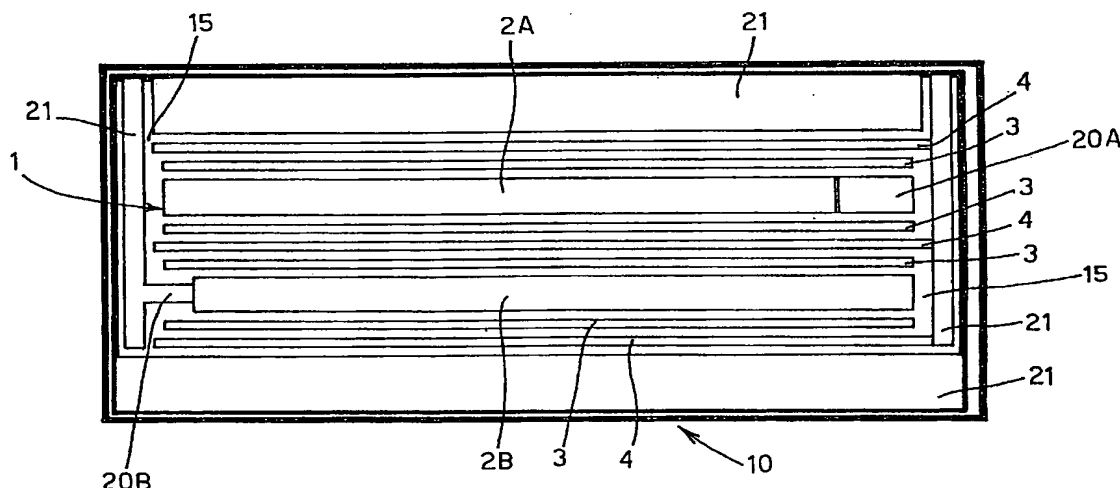
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(57) Abstract: A stack or package (1) is formed comprising slabs (2) of the decorative stone material, and framework or reinforcement layers (3) and separating layers between panels (4). Then the package is placed inside a liquid-tight formwork (10), and a depression is therein created and maintained while feeding a hardenable fluid binder (15) intended for encapsulating and impregnating stack (1), consolidating possible fractures of slabs (2). Afterwards, the binder is made to harden so to obtain a monolithic block that is cut to produce panels comprising at least one decorative slab (2) joined to at least one framework layer (3). The stack (1) can include slabs (2) of different sizes and, during the stack (1) formation or before treating with the binder (15), the possible size differences are compensated.